

## MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Special Meeting

February 1, 1954  
10:00 A. M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

On this, the 1st day of February, 1954, pursuant to a call for the purpose of transacting the business hereinafter recorded, the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, convened in Special Session, at the regular meeting place thereof, in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order, with Mayor McAden presiding. The roll was called, showing the following:

Present: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Absent: None

Thereupon, the Council proceeded to canvass the returns of the bond election held on the 30th day of January, 1954. Upon the completion of the canvass, Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

"A RESOLUTION by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, canvassing returns and declaring results of bond election held in said City on the 30th day of January, 1954, to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the City of Austin in the following amounts and for the following purposes: (1) \$6,190,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of paying off, refunding and cancelling an equal amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the City's Electric Light and Power, Waterworks and Sewer Systems; (2) \$9,110,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Electric Light and Power System; (3) \$3,200,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Waterworks System; (4) \$1,500,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Sewer System; and (5) \$1,750,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of building a municipal auditorium; enacting provisions incident and relating to the purpose and object of this resolution; and declaring an emergency."

WHEREAS, under and by virtue of an ordinance duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, on the 11th day of January, 1954, an election was held in said City on the fifth Saturday in January, 1954, the same being the 30th day of January, 1954, on five propositions for the issuance of the bonds of said City, in the following amounts and for the following purposes, to wit:

\$6,190,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of paying off, cancelling and refunding a like amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the City's combined Electric Light and Power, Waterworks and Sewer Systems;

\$9,110,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Electric Light and Power System;

\$3,200,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Waterworks System;

\$1,500,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Sewer System; and

\$1,750,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of building a Municipal Auditorium;

AND WHEREAS, on this the 1st day of February, 1954, there came on to be considered the returns of said election, and this City Council has determined that this resolution be passed as an emergency measure; and,

WHEREAS, upon consideration of the returns of said election, it appears that the same was in all respects legally held, after due notice had been given, and that the said returns were duly and legally made; and,

WHEREAS, it further appears from said returns that there were cast at said election 10,506 votes on the proposition for the issuance of \$6,190,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of paying off, cancelling and refunding a like amount of the existing indebtedness of the combined system, of which number 8,513 votes were cast "FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$6,190,000 REVENUE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S COMBINED ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER, WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING OFF, CANCELLING AND REFUNDING A LIKE AMOUNT OF THE EXISTING INDEBTEDNESS OF SAID COMBINED SYSTEM, AS SUBMITTED IN PROPOSITION NO. 1"; and 1,993 votes were cast "AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF \$6,190,000 REVENUE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S COMBINED ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER, WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING OFF, CANCELLING AND REFUNDING A LIKE AMOUNT OF THE EXISTING INDEBTEDNESS OF SAID COMBINED SYSTEM, AS SUBMITTED IN PROPOSITION NO. 1"; and,

WHEREAS, it further appears from said returns that there were cast at said election 10,477 votes on the proposition for the issuance of \$9,110,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Electric Light and Power System, of which number 8,444 votes were cast "FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$9,110,000 REVENUE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S COMBINED ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER, WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING AND IMPROVING THE CITY'S ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER SYSTEM, AS SUBMITTED IN PROPOSITION NO. 2"; and 2,033 votes were cast "AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF \$9,110,000 REVENUE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S COMBINED ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER, WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING AND IMPROVING THE CITY'S ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER SYSTEM, AS SUBMITTED IN PROPOSITION NO. 2"; and,

WHEREAS, it further appears from said returns that there were cast at said election 10,483 votes on the proposition for the issuance of \$3,200,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Waterworks System, of which number 8,483 votes were cast "FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,200,000 REVENUE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S COMBINED ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER, WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING AND IMPROVING THE CITY'S WATERWORKS SYSTEM, AS SUBMITTED IN PROPOSITION NO. 3"; and 2,000 votes were cast "AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,200,000 REVENUE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S COMBINED ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER, WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING AND IMPROVING THE CITY'S WATERWORKS SYSTEM, AS SUBMITTED IN PROPOSITION NO. 3"; and,

WHEREAS, it further appears from said returns that there were cast at said election 10,476 votes on the proposition for the issuance of \$1,500,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Sewer System, of which number 8,498 votes were cast "FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,500,000 REVENUE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S COMBINED ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER, WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING AND IMPROVING THE CITY'S SEWER SYSTEM, AS SUBMITTED IN PROPOSITION NO. 4"; and 1,983 votes were cast "AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,500,000 REVENUE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S COMBINED ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER, WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING AND IMPROVING THE CITY'S SEWER SYSTEM, AS SUBMITTED IN PROPOSITION NO. 4"; and,

WHEREAS, it further appears from said returns that there were cast at said election 10,483 votes on the proposition for the issuance of \$1,750,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of building a municipal auditorium, of which number 8,428 votes were cast "FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,750,000 REVENUE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, AND AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL COLISEUM TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING A MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, AS SUBMITTED IN PROPOSITION NO. 5"; and 2,055 votes were cast "AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,750,000 REVENUE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, AND AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE REVENUES OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL COLISEUM TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING A MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, AS SUBMITTED IN PROPOSITION NO. 5"; Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

I.

That the aforesaid election was duly and legally called and notice thereof given in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and the ordinance calling said election; that said election was held in strict conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and the returns thereof have been properly made to the officials of the City entitled to receive same; that only resident qualified property taxpaying voters of said City, who own property therein subject to taxation, and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, were permitted to vote at said election; and further, that said election properly represents the desires of those qualified to vote as aforesaid.

II.

That the proposition to issue the said \$6,190,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of paying off, cancelling and refunding a like amount of the existing indebtedness of the City's combined Electric Light and Power, Waterworks and Sewer System, was sustained by a majority vote of the qualified voters of said City, voting at said election, who own taxable property in said City and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, and that the City Council of said City is authorized to issue said bonds and to encumber the revenues of the City's combined Electric Light and Power, Waterworks and Sewer System for the purpose of securing the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds at maturity, as prescribed by law.

III.

That the proposition to issue the said \$9,110,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Electric Light and Power System, was sustained by a majority of the qualified voters of said City, voting at said election, who own taxable property in said City and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, and that the City Council of said City is authorized the issue said bonds and to encumber the revenues of the City's combined Electric Light and Power, Waterworks and Sewer System for the purpose of securing the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds at maturity, as prescribed by law.

IV.

That the proposition to issue the said \$3,200,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Waterworks System, was sustained by a majority of the qualified voters of said City, voting at said election, who own taxable property in said City and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, and that the City Council of said City is authorized to issue said bonds and to encumber the revenues of the City's combined Electric Light and Power, Waterworks and Sewer System for the purpose of securing the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds at maturity, as prescribed by law.

## V.

That the proposition to issue the said \$1,500,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of extending and improving the City's Sewer System, was sustained by a majority of the qualified voters of said City, voting at said election, who own taxable property in said City, and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, and that the City Council of said City is authorized to issue said bonds and to encumber the revenues of the City's combine Electric Light and Power, Waterworks and Sewer System for the purpose of securing the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds at maturity, as prescribed by law.

## VI.

That the proposition to issue the said \$1,750,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of building a municipal auditorium was sustained by a majority of the qualified voters of said City, voting at said election, who own taxable property in said City, and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, and that the City Council of said City is authorized to issue said bonds, and to encumber the revenues of the City's municipal auditorium, and at its discretion, the revenues of the City's municipal coliseum, for the purpose of securing the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds at maturity, as prescribed by law.

## VII.

The public importance of this measure and the fact that it is to the best interest of the City to canvass the returns and declare the result of the aforesaid bond election at the earliest possible date for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health and safety of the citizens of the City of Austin, Texas, constitutes an emergency and an imperative public necessity that this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its passage, all Charter rules governing the effective date of any ordinance or resolution are hereby suspended and this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its final passage, and it is so resolved.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson, and the motion, carrying with it the adoption of the resolution, prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The Mayor then announced that the resolution had been adopted.

Councilman Long moved that all the projects as outlined in the bond election and the map, be made a part of the official Minutes of this meeting so that there would be an official record of those projects outlined. The motion, seconded by Councilman Thompson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The projects are hereby set out:

SANITARY SEWER  
BOND FUNDS REQUIRED

	Estimated Cost
Enlarge West Bouldin Creek Main - South 1st to Brodie Street	\$ 95,000
Montopolis Area	330,000
Tannehill Branch - Sewage Treatment Plant to 19th Street	150,000
West Bouldin Creek Area - south of West Live Oak	190,000
Shoah Creek System - Northland Drive to Anderson Lane	170,000
Replace Brazos St. Alley Sewer - East 1st Street to 16th Street	100,000
Area between Clermont Avenue and river	10,000
Colorado River Main - Bowie Street to Hearne	106,000
Through state property to 49th Street at Grover Avenue	10,000
Area north of 53rd Street, west of Interregional Highway	50,000
Area adjacent to Interregional Highway, south of Riverside Drive	25,000
East Bouldin Creek Area - south of West Live Oak Street between South Congress Avenue and South 1st Street	100,000
Area north of Rosewood Avenue - west of Airport Blvd.	35,000
Through Camp Mabry property to Highland Park West - Life Station	50,000
Bluffington Area	50,000
Govalle Area - east of Tillery Street	29,000
TOTAL	\$1,500,000

WATER DISTRIBUTION  
BOND FUNDS REQUIRED

	Estimated Cost
Guadalupe - Gayler to Northway Crest	24" \$ 58,000
38th St. - Guadalupe to Cherrywood Rd.	24" 205,000
Bull Creek Rd. - 50th to Shoalcreek Blvd.	12" 14,000
16th & Chicon to 23rd & Alexander	12" 35,000
South 1st - Oltorf to Pump Station	30" 138,000
Oltorf - South 1st to Parker Lane	24" 155,000
W. 35th - Filter Plant to MPRR	42" 140,000
South 1st - Pump Sta. to South C.L.	20" 85,000
Land for Reservoir & South Austin Pump Sta.	12,000
Pump Sta. & Pumps - South Austin	56,000
Additional Pump - North Austin Pump Sta.	15,000
Concordia & Cherrywood to Rosewood & Airport	24" 178,000
Philco-So. 1st to Manchaca Rd.	12" 43,000
Guadalupe - Delafield to Anderson Ia.	24" 42,000
E. 19th - Airport Blvd. to Springdale Rd.	16" 75,000
Reservoir for So. Austin	185,000
Parker Ia. - Live Oak to Woodland	24" 50,000
Anderson Ia. - Guadalupe to Watson	24" 43,000

Denson - Chesterfield to Interregional	16"	48,000
Croslin - Guadalupe to Interregional	12"	26,000
Interregional - Delmar to Rundberg	12"	81,000
Manor Rd - Airport to Pecan Springs Rd.	12"	60,000
Springdale Rd. - 19th St. to Pecan Springs Rd.	16"	12,000
Parker La. - Woodland Ave. to Willow	24"	203,000
Anderson La. - Watson to Burnet Rd.	24"	112,000
Northland Dr. - Shoal Creek Blvd. to Price Hill Reservoir	20"	120,000
Airport Blvd. - Rosewood to 7th St.	24"	162,000
Center St. - So. 1st to Lightsey & So. 3rd	20"-12"	36,000
Replacements of inadequate mains, Approach Mains, Fire Hydrants, and Unpredictable Main Extensions		724,000
Filter & Pumping Plant equipment additions		<u>77,000</u>
	GRAND TOTAL	\$3,200,000

ELECTRIC  
BOND FUNDS REQUIRED

69 KV LINES -- Approximately 11 miles of 69 KV lines generally to the west of Austin extending from Lakeshore Substation across the river from Mt. Bonnell to Magnesium Substation north of Austin at Peyton Gin Lane and the T & N O Railroad. This will close the 69 KV loop.

Estimated Cost      \$ 155,000

69 KV SUBSTATIONS -- Bergstrom Substation, 5000 KVA, to serve the area southeast of Austin; Cardinal Lane Substation, 3000 KVA, to serve the southwest portion of South Austin; Wheelless Substation, 5000 KVA, to serve the northeast Austin loads to relieve Magnesium and Clark Substations; and Hancock Substation, 5000 KVA, to serve the new residences in northwest Austin.

Estimated Cost      362,000

11 KV LINES -- Includes a tie line from Power Plant to North Substation to relieve the presently overloaded 11 KV loop, a loop circuit through South Austin to serve new substations and provide improved service to South Austin.

Estimated Cost      272,000

11 KV SUBSTATION -- Includes a 3000 KVA Substation in Travis Heights to serve new residences; a 3000 KVA Substation in North Austin; additions to West Substation and Kerby Substation totaling 5000 KVA; and a 3000 KVA Substation at 13th Street and East Avenue to serve the adjacent areas.

Estimated Cost      416,000

U. G. LINES & NETWORK-- Installation of underground radial primary feeders and extension of underground network in the

downtown areas to serve new buildings and relieve overloads.

Estimated Cost 677,000

SERVICE TO BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL -- Additional distribution facilities required to provide 1000 KVA service to Brackenridge Hospital.

Estimated Cost 51,000

LAKESHORE SUBSTATION & LINES -- A 5000 KVA substation and approximately 3 miles of 69 KV line from Miller Dam to the substation site across the river from Mt. Bonnell to furnish power for the New Filter Plant.

Estimated Cost 230,000

69 KV RELAYING -- Installation of protective equipment on the 69 KV lines to provide for reliable operation of these lines with a minimum of service interruptions.

Estimated Cost 228,000

STREET LIGHTS -- Installation of street lights in residential areas and improved lighting of arterial streets. The money will provide for approximately 500 residential street lights and 70 blocks of arterial street lighting.

Estimated Cost 326,000

TRAFFIC SIGNALS -- Traffic signals at approximately 80 street intersections.

Estimated Cost 100,000

CAPACITORS -- Installation of capacitors at various points on the electric system to improve the voltage conditions all over Austin.

Estimated Cost 66,000

POWER PLANT SUBSTATION -- Installation of two large power transformers and related switchgear to connect the Power Plant to the 69 KV system.

Estimated Cost 227,000

POWER PLANT -- This project includes the addition to present Power Plant building and intake tower at the river, the installation of two-200,000 lbs. per hour steam boilers, two--20,000 KW turbo-generators, two--17,000 square feet condensers, electrical switch-gear, and other appurtenances necessary for modern steam plant.

Estimated Cost 6,000,000

TOTAL \$9,110,000



Councilman Thompson suggested that at any time during the tenure of this Council that it becomes necessary to abandon any of these plans and new plans be adopted, that those changes come before the Council well in advance in starting work on them.

Councilman Pearson suggested that there should be an understanding by all the people that in the early part of 1955, it would be necessary to have a school bond and street bond election, and he would like for the study to be made and that the Council be kept informed so that it could keep the people informed all along.

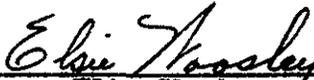
The Council adjourned at 12:00 o'clock noon.

Minutes approved this 1st day of February, 1954.

APPROVED:

  
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Mayor  
City of Austin,  
Texas

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk